

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

Docket No. 903.0013.U1(US)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR RENDERING AN OPTICALLY ENCODED  
MEDIUM UNREADABLE USING A VOLATILE SUBSTANCE TRANSPORT INHIBIT  
LAYER**

the specification of which

(check one)   X   is attached hereto.       was filed on        as Application Serial No.              and/or that was amended on       

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to the patentability of this application as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate(s) listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate(s) having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

       (Number)        (Country)        (Day/Mon/Year Filed)        Yes        No

I hereby claim priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) from copending Provisional Patent Application No. 60/270,368, filed on 21 February 2001.

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